<u>IN THE CLAIMS</u>:

Claims 1-15 have been amended herein. All of the pending claims 1 through 15 are presented below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings in the application. Please enter these claims as amended.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for sharing clipboard data between different computers of a group, comprising:

commanding a first computer of the group to copy or cut selected data to a clipboard of the first computer;

causing ~~said~~ the first computer to send a message to at least a second computer of the group that the data on ~~said~~ the clipboard has been updated;

providing ~~said~~ the second computer with access to ~~said~~ the clipboard; and

commanding an application operating on ~~said~~ the second computer to paste ~~said~~ the selected data.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ the commanding ~~said~~ the first computer consists of causing ~~said~~ the first computer to copy or cut ~~said~~ the selected data.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein ~~said command~~ commanding ~~said~~ the application operating on ~~said~~ the second computer consists of causing ~~said~~ the second computer to paste ~~said~~ the selected data.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ providing ~~said~~ the second computer with access to ~~said~~ the clipboard comprises providing ~~said~~ the second computer with information of each format in which ~~said~~ the selected data is stored on ~~said~~ the clipboard.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4, wherein ~~said~~ commanding ~~said~~ the application comprises obtaining a single, application-compatible format of ~~said~~ the selected data.

6.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ providing does not include copying ~~said~~ the selected data to a clipboard of ~~said~~ the second computer.

7.   (Currently Amended) A method for transmitting data in a registered format from one computer to another computer, comprising:

providing an operating system of a first computer running an application in which a copy
   command is issued with a string name;

generating a message on ~~said~~ the first computer that clipboard data on ~~said~~ the first computer has
   been updated and including ~~said~~ the string name that corresponds to ~~said~~ the registered
   format;

transmitting ~~said~~ the message to at least one second computer;

issuing a paste command on ~~said~~ the at least one second computer, comprising generating a
   request including ~~said~~ the string ~~identifier~~ name and transmitting ~~said~~ the request to ~~said~~
   the first computer; and

in response to ~~said~~ the request from ~~said~~ the at least one second computer, transmitting requested
   data from ~~said~~ the clipboard of ~~said~~ the first computer to ~~said~~ the clipboard of ~~said~~ the at
   least one second computer.

8.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein ~~said~~ operating system on ~~said~~ the first computer randomly generates a numeric format identifier following ~~said~~ providing ~~said~~ the operating system with ~~said~~ the string name.

9.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein, following ~~said~~ transmitting ~~said~~ the message, ~~said~~ the at least one second computer presents ~~said~~ the string name to ~~said~~ an operating system thereon and ~~said~~ the operating system generates a numeric format identifier to be associated with ~~said~~ the requested data on ~~said~~ the clipboard of ~~said~~ the at least one second computer.

10.   (Currently Amended) A computer network, comprising:

a first computer including at least one first processing element operating under at least partial

control of a program that:

causes ~~said~~ the at least one first processing element to recognize when an operating

system associated therewith has caused data to be applied to a clipboard; and

causes ~~said~~ the at least one first processing element to send a message to at least one

second computer of the computer network when data on ~~said~~ the clipboard of ~~said~~

the first computer is changed; and

~~said~~the at least one second computer including at least one second processing element operating

under at least partial control of a program that:

causes ~~said~~ the at least one second processing element to receive ~~said~~ the message; and

upon receiving a command from an application running on ~~said~~ the at least one second

computer, retrieves at least a portion of ~~said~~ the data from ~~said~~ the clipboard of

~~said~~ the first computer and imports at least ~~said~~ the portion of ~~said~~ the data into

~~said~~ the application.

11.   (Currently Amended) The computer network of claim 10, wherein ~~said~~ the

program causes ~~said~~ the at least one first processing element to recognize when a copy or cut

command has been issued by an application running on ~~said~~ the first computer.

12.   (Currently Amended) The computer network of claim 11, wherein ~~said~~ the

command from ~~said~~ the application running on ~~said~~ the second computer comprises a paste

command.

13.   (Currently Amended) The computer network of claim 10, wherein ~~said~~ the

message sent by ~~said~~ the at least one first processing element includes information about a

plurality of formats of ~~said~~ the data available on ~~said~~ the clipboard.

14.   (Currently Amended) The computer network of claim 13, wherein ~~said~~ the program that at least partially controls ~~said~~ the at least one second processing element is configured to select a format of at least ~~said~~ the portion of ~~said~~ the data from ~~said~~ the plurality of formats to be imported into ~~said~~ the application.

15.   (Currently Amended) A computer network, comprising:
a first computer including at least one first processing element programmed for:
    copying or cutting selected data to a clipboard; and
    sending a message to at least one second computer of the computer network when data on
        ~~said~~ the clipboard of ~~said~~ the first computer is changed; and
~~said~~the at least one second computer including at least one second processing element operating under at least partial control of a program for:
    ~~causes~~causing ~~said~~ the at least one second processing element to receive ~~said~~ the
        message; and
    upon receiving a command from an application running on ~~said~~ the at least one second
        computer, retrieving at least a portion of ~~said~~ the data from ~~said~~ the clipboard of
        ~~said~~ the first computer and importing at least ~~said~~ the portion of ~~said~~ the data into
        ~~said~~ the application.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheet of drawings includes a change to FIG. 1. This sheet, which includes FIG. 1, replaces the original sheet including FIG. 1.

FIG. 1 has been amended herein. Specifically, FIG. 1 has been revised to add the reference numeral --111-- with appropriate lead line. No new matter has been added.